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FOR: POLYNUCLEOTIDE ENCODING A NOVEL HUMAN POTASSIUM
CHANNEL BETA SUBUNIT, K+BETAM3

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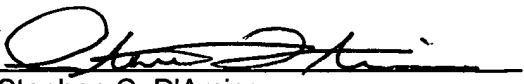
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The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

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